

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Robert E. Richard et al. Art Unit: 1614  
Serial No.: 10/632,054 Examiner: Alicia R. Hughes  
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Title: IMPLANTABLE OR INSERTABLE MEDICAL DEVICES CONTAINING  
RADIATION-TREATED POLYMER FOR IMPROVED DELIVERY OF  
THERAPEUTIC AGENT

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Sir:

This response is submitted in reply to the Non-Final Office Action mailed October 30, 2008, having a time for response of January 30, 2009. This Amendment and Response is timely filed. While no fees are believed to be due as a result of this Amendment and Response, if any fees are due authorization is hereby given to charge Deposit Account 50-1047. Please enter the following amendment and remarks:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7.